Export (Control) Act, 1947 may be taken against the defaulter in addition to recovery of customs duty with interest to provide deterrent punishment in such cases

Directives Issued to FIEO

172. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA. Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of Government directives issued to the Federation of Indian Export Organisations, New Delhi, for amending the Articles of Association, abolishing certain constituencies for sending representatives to the Managing Committee, details of the constituencies so abolished and about holding of Annual General Meeting.

(b) the date of holding the Extraordinary General Meeting of the members called to discuss Government directives and to amend the Rules/Articles; and

(c) the effective date on which the existing Managing Committee members of such abolished constituencies will vacate their offices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Federation of Indian Export Organisation, New Delhi has been directed to carry out certain amendments in their Memorandum and Articles of Association as detailed below:—

(i) To remove the provisions which have become inconsistent with the provision made in July, 1984 that the tenure of the President of FIEO shall be two years; and to make a provision that at the end of the two years term there should be a change or break without any bar to re-election subsequently after a two year break;

(ii) With a view to ensuring that there is adequate representation of all concerned on the Managing Committee of FIEO and its size is also manageable the following composition has been suggested;

Representation	No. of Members
(i) All Export Promotion Councils	19
(ii) Commodity Boards (Tea Board, Coffee Board, Tobacco Board and Spices Board) and Authorities (Marine Products Export Development Authority and Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority)	06
(iii) Trading Houses	01
(iv) Export Houses (3 Merchant Exporters and 2 Small Manufacturer-Exporters)	05
(v) Consultancy Organisations	01
(vi) State Export Organisations	02
(vii) Co-opted members (The Co-opted members would be represented by the following bodies :	06
(1) Ministry of Commerce	

Representation	No. of Members
(2) Department of Economic Affairs/Banking	
(3) Export Commissioner (CCI & E's Organisation)	
(4) EXIM Bank	
(5) Representative of Shipping and Transport Ministry	
(6) D.C. SSI	
TOTAL :	40

(iii) The representation of Trade Associations Chambers of Commerce, Contractor Firms, Banks or Banking Institutions and Individual Firms on the Managing Committee has been abolished.

FIEO has also been directed to hold their Annual General Meeting quickly.

(b) and (c) A Special General Meeting of FIEO to consider amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association was held on 20th July, 1987. In this Meeting it was decided that these amendments should be effective from the date of forthcoming Annual General Meeting which is proposed to be held by the end of September, 1987. The existing Managing Committee Members of the abolished constituencies will therefore vacate their seats on the date of forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Production of tea, coffee and cashewnuts

173. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any increase or decrease in the production of tea, coffee and cashewnuts in the country during the first half of 1987 and how it corresponds with the figures of the year 1986;

(b) whether there has been any increase or decrease in the export of tea, coffee and cashewnuts during the above period;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total value of tea, coffee and cashewnuts exported during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (d) A Statement is attached. [*See* Appendix CXLIII, Annexure No. 3]

India's trade with certain countries

174. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of trade of India with Japan, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines. Australia and New Zealand and the quantum of imports from these countries to India during the last three years; and

(b) the total value of India's exports to these countries and of imports to India during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) A Statement is attached. [*See* Appendix CXLIII, Annexure No. 4]